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**AGENDA ITEM 4h**  
**HCAOG Board Meeting**  
**May 21, 2026**

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DATE: May 14, 2026  
TO: HCAOG Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)  
FROM: Brendan Byrd, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: **Funding Agreement between the Humboldt Transit Authority, County of Humboldt, and HCAOG Regarding Dial-A-Ride Service Operating and Administrative Cost Sharing**

### **STAFF REPORT**

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#### **Staff's Recommended Action:**

Motion to be approved by consent:

“The PAC recommends the HCAOG Board approve the Dial-A-Ride Funding Agreement as proposed by the Humboldt Transit Authority and authorize the Executive Director to sign the one-year contract approving HCAOG's portion of \$150,469 for the supplemental paratransit service for Fiscal Year 2026-27.”

#### **Staff Summary:**

HCAOG has helped fund supplemental Dial-a-Ride (DAR) service in the Humboldt Bay region since the early 1990s to address gaps in paratransit service between communities and in areas outside city limits. While the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires transit operators to provide complementary paratransit service within certain fixed-route areas, regional studies found that additional service was needed to better connect residents throughout the greater Humboldt Bay area. In response, HCAOG began contributing regional funding to support expanded DAR service beyond the minimum ADA requirements.

HCAOG's funding agreement with the Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA), operating as the Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA), for Dial-A-Ride service will expire on June 30, 2026. The proposed contract, subject to HCAOG Board approval, will cover service from July

1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. HCAOG's share of the annual cost is \$150,469. HCOAG's share of the funding comes from the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Local Transportation Fund allocations adopted by the HCAOG Board on February 19, 2026, (Resolution 26-01).